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- (1) Yamazaki et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,181,131, issued January 19, 1993 (although the issued patent bears the name of the first inventor, Shunpei Yamazaki, the European Search Report recites the name of the second inventor, Akira Mase) (column 1, line 31-line 44; column 2, line 52-column 3, line 17; claims 1, 3, 4; and figures 2 and 3);
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- (3) Carts-Powell, Y: "Cholesteric LCDs show images after power is turned off", Laser Focus World, Sept. 1998, Pennwell Publishing, USA, Vol. 34, No. 9, pages 99-100, 102-103 (XP002179450), ISSN: 1043-8092; (paragraph 0005; and figure 1);
- (4) Ma, R-Q et al., "Optimization of Polymer-Stabilized Bistable Black-White Cholestericreflective Display", Journal of the Society For Information Display, San Jose, US, Vol. 7, No. 1, 1999, pages 61-65 (XP000940374), ISSN: 1071-0922 (left-hand column, paragraph 1);
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- (6) Yamamoto et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,774,105, issued June 30, 1998 (although the issued patent bears the name of the first inventor, Takashi Yamamoto, the European Search Report recites the name of the second inventor, Tomoyuki Ohno) (abstract); and
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